

the name of "John M. Thurston of Nebraska" to be permanent chairman, there was an eruption of flags and cheers from the delegates, and another demonstration greeted the name of U. S. Grant, Jr., of California.

The heat was becoming intense—damp, sultry, sunken heat, which crimped collars and kept the whole arena a flutter of gaudy fans, which had been distributed throughout the hall.

The reading of the report on permanent organization was followed by a wild and tumultuous scene.

Mr. Mudd of Maryland jumped to his feet and loudly protested against action upon the report. "It can be received," he shouted, "but it cannot be acted upon. Nothing can be done until the convention has acted on the report of the committee on credentials."



Joseph Bosler.

Until that committee has acted there is no convention.

Mr. Fairbanks ruthlessly overruled the point of order and left Mr. Mudd angrily shouting on the floor.

Suddenly the late Marylander changed his tactics, and as Mr. Fairbanks called for a vote on the resolution of the report, he demanded a call of the roll. His demand was seconded by Delegate Evans of Minnesota. Mr. Fairbanks, however, called for a rising vote, and the convention seemed to rise en masse to the call.

The galleries cheered and pandemonium reigned for a minute, as the convention realized the overwhelming defeat of the dissenters against the immediate adoption of the report.

Senator Sewell of New Jersey and Representative Paine of New York were designated to escort the permanent chairman to the platform. They marched down the main aisle, where the delegates jumped to their feet, fluttering flags and handkerchiefs and cheering shrilly with a yell that reminded southerners of the confederacy.

Senator Thurston faced the arena with his hands clasped behind him, and began to speak. He said:

Chairman Thurston's Speech.

"Gentlemen of the Convention: The happy memory of your kindness and confidence will abide in my grateful heart forever. My sole ambition is to meet your expectations, and I pledge myself to exercise the important powers of this high office with absolute justice and impartiality. I bespeak your cordial cooperation and support to the end that our proceedings may be orderly and dignified, as before this the deliberations of the supreme council of the republican party.

"Eight years ago I had the distinguished honor to preside over the convention which nominated the last republican President of the United States. Today I have the distinguished honor to preside over the convention which is to nominate the next President of the United States. This generation has had its object lesson and the doom of the democratic party is already announced. The American people will return to the republican party, because they know that its administration will mean:

"The supremacy of the Constitution of the United States.

"The maintenance of the law and order.

"The protection of every American citizen in his right to live, labor and to vote.

"A vigorous foreign policy.

"The enforcement of the Monroe doctrine.

"The restoration of our merchant marine.

"Safety under the stars and stripes on every flag in every port.

"A revenue adequate for all governmental expenditures and the gradual extinguishment of the national debt.

"A currency as sound as the government, and as untarnished as its honor, whose dollars, whether of gold, silver or paper, shall have equal purchasing and debt-paying power with the best dollars of the civilized world.

"A protective tariff, which protects, coupled with reciprocity, which reciprocates, thereby securing the best markets for American products and opening of American factories to the free commerce of American muscle.

"A pension policy just and generous to our living heroes, and to the widows and orphans of their dead comrades.

"The governmental supervision and control of transportation lines and rates.

"The protection of the people from all unlawful combination and unjust exaction of aggregated capital and corporated power.

"An American welcome to every God-fearing, liberty-loving, Constitution-respecting, law-abiding, labor-seeking, decent man.

"The exclusion of all whose birth, whose blood, whose condition, whose practices would menace the permanency of free institutions, endanger the safety of American society or lessen the opportunities of American labor.

"The abolition of sectionalism—every star in the American flag shining for the honor and welfare and happiness of every commonwealth and all the people. A deathless loyalty to all that is true and American and a patriotism eternal as the stars."

Punctuated With Cheers.

The punctuation of almost every sentence of his address was a period of yells, rounded off with a fringe of manual applause and stamping. Mr. Thurston is a slender, dark-faced, black-mustached, spectacled, scholarly looking man, but he wields a voice keyed for the stump that carries every word ringing to the farthest corner of the galleries.

No point of his speech was lost upon the assembly, but that which provoked the most enthusiastic uproar was the statement that he had presided over the convention which nominated the last republican President, and was now addressing

that which was to name the next republican President.

The delegates rose and waved their hats, flags and handkerchiefs with a prolonged cheer when Mr. Thurston finished.

The following persons were elected: Secretary, Col. Charles W. Johnson of Minnesota; assistant secretaries, W. E. Riley of Kentucky, H. H. Smith of Michigan, A. B. Humphrey of New York, A. W. Manion of Maryland; official stenographer, Frances E. Burke of Pittsburgh; sergeant-at-arms, Timothy E. Byrnes of Minnesota; assistant sergeant-at-arms, George W. Wisawolf of Wisconsin, W. Johnson of Maryland, W. P. Huxford of Washington, Charles E. Stone of Illinois, G. D. Smith of Oklahoma; reading clerk, J. H. Stone of Michigan, F. H. Wilson of Missouri, John R. Malloy of Ohio, R. S. Hatch of Indiana, J. R. Bean of New Jersey; also one vice president from each state.

As the demonstration ceased, by direction of Permanent Chairman Thurston, a letter was read from J. Henry Fort, chairman of the committee on credentials, announcing that the committee would be unable to report until after noon.

Thurston then moved that the convention take a recess until 2 o'clock.

The motion was carried with a roar, and at 11:23 Chairman Thurston declared the convention in recess. The band played "Yankee Doodle" as the crowds made their way out of the hall.

WHO WILL FOLLOW TELLER.

Speculation Regarding the Bolt of the Silver Men.

Special from a Staff Correspondent.

ST. LOUIS, June 17.—A member of the platform committee just from the conference room says that Mr. Teller announced in the conference that he intended to bolt the convention.

The gold men are coming to realize that Teller, Dubois, Cannon, Mantle and their followers are going to bolt. While there has been no official announcement on the subject, friends of the silver leaders have whispered that the bolt is coming, until at last the gold men have come to believe it.

A statement by one of the silver Senators, who is not going to bolt, that he knows that Teller and part of the Colorado delegation; Dubois and all the Idaho delegation; Cannon and part of the Utah delegation; Mantle and part of the Montana delegation; and a few others will bolt is accepted by the gold men as accurate information. It is said that Carter will not go out.

Many stories concerning the subject of a bolt are in circulation today.

It is said that the silver men reached a conclusion at a meeting this morning. But no meeting was held. This conclusion had been reached for some time.

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support of his resolutions, becoming quite animated as he warmed up in the course of his remarks. He had scarcely begun when the members of the press, who lined the hall outside the room in which the committee was meeting, were invited to a more distant section of the hotel. The excuse was made that the committee wanted the use of the hall for air, but the fact that the Colorado Senator's voice penetrated the wall and was plainly heard on the outside was accepted as the real reason for the eviction of the press.

The Senator progressed he was warmly applauded by his followers. He spoke vehemently in opposition to the gold standard plank, declaring his belief in taking this course that the party was departing from its vaunted position of defender of the rights of the people, and putting itself

in the hands of the bond-clippers of Lombard and Wall streets.

This policy he denounced as unAmerican, unpatriotic and opposed to all the best interests of humanity. He expressed his sincere regret that such a course should be adopted—not because it affected him personally, but because it was a step that would seriously affect the welfare of the people of the entire country. As for himself, he had been a republican since the ante-bellum days. He had assisted in securing the nomination of Lincoln.

Mr. Teller in the course of his remarks stated emphatic terms that if the gold standard plank as proposed was adopted he would consider it incumbent upon him to sever his connection with the convention. Thinking as he did upon the subject, which was, of all questions, the nearest to his heart, he could not consistently continue his connection with a body which was so determined to antagonize his convictions of right and duty, and, as he believed, stultify its own record.

Senators Dubois of Idaho and Cannon of Utah, Meyer, Mott of North Carolina and Hepburn of Cleveland followed in a similar strain, also announcing their intention to bolt the convention in case of the adoption of the gold standard plank.

Mr. Darlington of Pennsylvania replied briefly to Senator Teller, challenging a portion of the Senator's address referring to the "defection of Lombard street," saying that was a poor return for the money, amounting to many millions of dollars, which had been invested in the west by the men of the east in building railroads and in other enterprises.

"We have given you our money freely," he said, "and are surprised that you should now want to pay us in money worth only 30 cents on the dollar."

"Colorado," responded Mr. Teller, "has always paid her debts, and will continue to pay them. What we object to is the paying of two dollars for one received."

He proceeded briefly to show that silver had not depreciated, but that it was gold that had increased in value.

Senator Lodge's Regret.

Senator Lodge spoke briefly, but largely in a way personal to Senator Teller. He spoke of the esteem in which the Colorado Senator was held and the respect felt for him, but said that notwithstanding this feeling it was impossible to follow his idea of financial policy. To do so would be ruinous to the great commercial interests of the country.

That the Colorado Senator was honest in his convictions and zealous in their support, no man could doubt, but that he was right did not follow. He regretted that they had come to the parting of the ways, but the parting was not the seeking of the gold standard plank, and if it could not be prevented it would have to be endured.

Mr. Cannon of Utah said there was no use of the republican party making an effort in this state this year under the influence of a single gold standard plank. He was severe in his charges on the money power and its dominance over this convention.

He described the depressed condition of the country, and especially in his state, and gave notice that he and others would stand by Senator Teller, who truly represented them.

Mr. Lommon of California advocated the Teller amendment strongly. He insisted that with the majority report as the declaration of the party, the plurality of \$9,000 would not only be wiped out, but that the masses would become alienated from the party indefinitely. He knew there would be hope for them in the pending canvass on the coast.

Silver Amendment Batten.

The Teller silver amendment to the platform was defeated by a vote of 41 to 10. The silver men announced that they must declare themselves out of the party.

Senator Cannon in Tears.

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ity of Reed, even among those who are in force of circumstances advocating McKinley's nomination, was demonstrated last night in a manner that ought to be highly gratifying to the Maine man's friends. This affection of the people for the big fellow from Maine was evident at every street corner, and in every hotel where his picture was posted and his name shouted. The feature of the applause which struck one most forcibly was its evident sincerity. There was a note in the chorus of greeting to him different from the perfunctory shouts that went up for McKinley. In point of numbers the McKinley shouters were fully equalled by the McKinley shouters, and the close observer would have instantly detected the difference in the quality of the adulation for the two candidates.

The admirers of Thomas B. Reed paraded the streets last night, burning Greek fire and shouting for their favorite. The parade was composed of the members of the Merchants' League and the Junior League clubs of St. Louis, and it was the members of these organizations who led in the shouting for the Maine statesman.

The parade was not attended by any excitement until it reached the Southern Hotel, the headquarters of the boomers. The crowd of the McKinley rooters were encountered on the street and the Reed people offered to fight their way to the hotel door. The Merchants' League Club, the former hot bed of McKinleyism, which has within a day been converted into a Reed wigwam, was the gathering place for the marchers. The Marchers' League members were there in force, and several of them were kept busy distributing badges bearing the words "I am for T. B. Reed."

Others were looking after the details of uniforms and equipments. The line was formed on Locust street, and the Chicago Blues, sixty strong, was given the position of honor. The parade was led by the Merchants' League Club, the Reed club from Maine, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and New Hampshire, and last, but not least in size or importance, came the marching corps of the Junior Republican League, headed by its large drum corps.

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